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PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:	)	
	:	Examiner: T. Ponikiewski
TSUYOSHI KUROKI	)	
	:	Group Art Unit: 2165
Application No.: 10/779,690	)	
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Filed: February 18, 2004	)	
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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

Prior to further examination on the merits, a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) having been filed concurrently herewith, and in response to the Office Action dated April 8, 2008, please amend the above-identified application as follows: